

# Wessex Quality Improvement Fellowship Project

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Psychiatry QI Fellow 2012-13



# The QI Fellowship

- The Wessex Quality Improvement Fellowships are 1 year posts (50% clinical job and 50% fellowship) for doctors in training and AHPs.
- Marion Lynch is the Training Programme Director.
- A monthly learning set/training day
- PDSA reflective cycles in between sessions.
- Option to complete
  - Institute of Health Care Managers (IMH) portfolio leading to MIHM,
  - Or PGCert at Oxford Brookes (trainee-funded option) based on the project.

# Dementia Awareness in Surgery at UHS.

- Dementia projects are topical.



## Prime Minister's challenge on dementia

Delivering major improvements in dementia care and research by 2015



## Dementia

Commitment to the care of people with dementia in hospital settings



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## The Right Care: creating dementia friendly hospitals



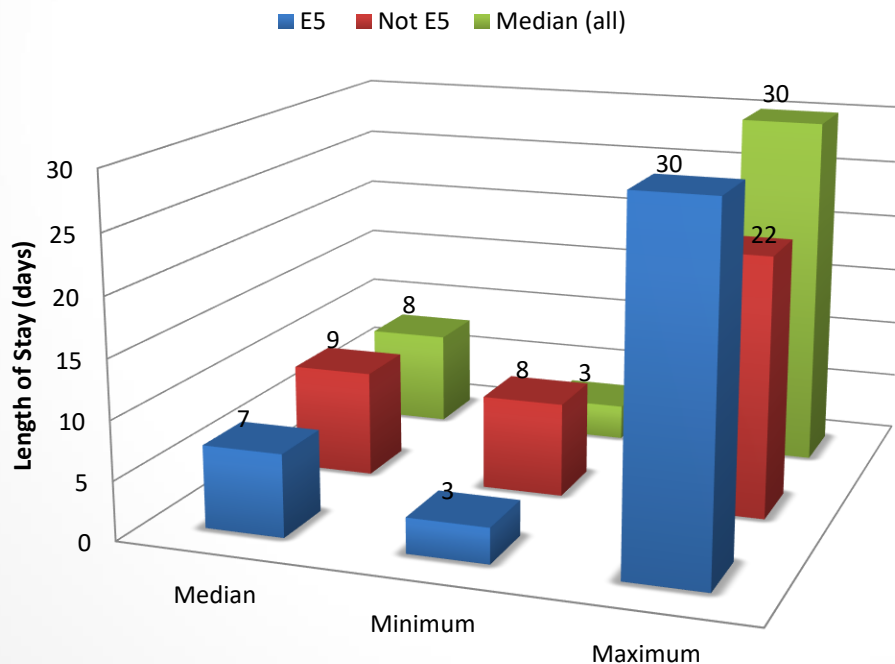
## Dementia Friends

# The QI Project



# The Outcomes

- Screening in Pre-Operative Assessment (Scheduled Care)
  - All nurses in pre-op now screen all those aged 75+ as routine.
  - Trend to reduce Length of Stay in combination with ward initiatives.



1 in 5  
General  
Surgery  
75+

1 in 3  
Cancer 75+

# The Outcomes: Awareness

- Staff Strongly agreed or agreed that:

(73% )  
helpful to do  
memory  
tests in Pre-  
Op

(82%)  
improved  
experience  
for relatives  
and carers

- Across the division (Surgery, Cancer and Theatres)

75% of all staff  
wanted dementia  
awareness  
training

14% staff felt the  
division offers a good  
service for frail or  
elderly patients

# The Outcomes: Education

## Training for all Nurses!

- 1 hour Dementia and Delirium awareness on mandatory training day for all nurses and HCAs.
  - In Division A only.

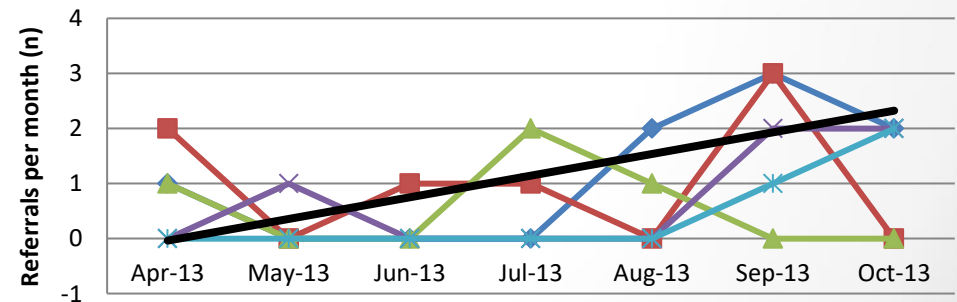
- **Dementia Champions** (Link Roles) across 70% wards.

- 2 days training with admiral nurse.

## Dementia Strategy Links

- UHS, Southern Health and HEE Wessex Dementia Strategies.

## Better Links with OPMH:



	Apr-13	May-13	Jun-13	Jul-13	Aug-13	Sep-13	Oct-13
◆ E5	1	0	0	0	2	3	2
■ F6	2	0	1	1	0	3	0
▲ F7	1	0	0	2	1	0	0
✕ E7	0	1	0	0	0	2	2
✱ E8	0	0	0	0	0	1	2

# The Journey

Learning to lead!

Learning new skills!



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"This really is an innovative approach, but I'm afraid we can't consider it. It's never been done before."





# Next Steps



- Mary O'Brien, Consultant PH England
- Dr Joe Tyrell, Consultant Anaesthetist with a QI role, Yeovil.
- Jo Hurd co-clinical director on a GP led integration project to improve care for the frail elderly.
- Eloise Whitaker, Wessex International Fellowship.

# With Thanks to the Wider Project Team



Including Marion Lynch, Dr Vicky Banks (Supervisor), HEE  
Wessex, UHS Team, Southern Health Team, Admiral Nurses,  
Alzheimer's Society, Oxford Brookes and IHM.